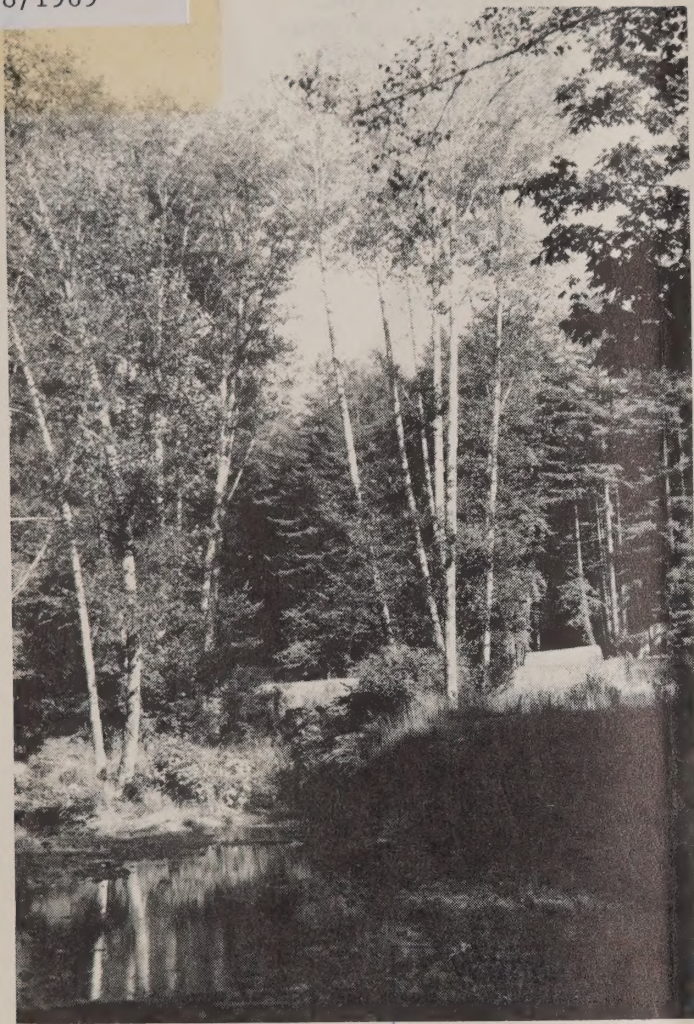


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1968-69

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MEETINGS

Regular meetings are held at 8:00 o'clock p.m. on the first Wednesday evening of each month in Room 22, Courthouse, Crescent City, California.

BUDGET

	Expended 1968-69	Allowed 1969-70
SALARIES:		
Secretary	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
SERVICES & SUPPLIES:		
Office Expense	267.21	300.00
Professional & Specialized Services	1,808.59	7,900.00
Publications & Legal Notices	113.54	150.00
Transportation & Travel	1,079.15	1,400.00
TOTAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES	3,268.49	9,750.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 3,868.49	\$ 10,350.00

GENERAL

The year 1968-69 was filled with many new developments throughout the County of Del Norte, by far the largest of which was the establishment of the Redwood National Park with headquarters in Crescent City. Construction has begun in the new townsite of Klamath with the erection of county buildings and installation of utilities and streetwork now in progress. A new park has been established at the junction of Highway 101 and Elk Valley Cross Road to be known as Keller Park. This park is scheduled for improvement in the near future. Lagoon Creek Fishing Access has been completed and is located one mile south of Wilson Creek on Highway 101. This facility serves as a roadside rest, picnic area, and fishing facility. The lagoon on which the park is located is stocked with pan size trout. Four new harbor developments were constructed, two of which were new fish processing plants. A new Undersea Garden tourist facility was installed at the end of the year, and new mooring slips for private boats were also placed in the harbor area.

As far as planning is concerned, many new planning projects were started in accordance with last years forecast of work for this year. The height zoning and master plan for Ward Field in Gasquet was completed, while plans for McBeth Field were canceled due to the effect of the location of the Klamath Glen Dike on the airport. It is felt that McBeth Field will not survive displacement by the dike.

Incorporated in the planning project taken on by a newly formed Tri-Agency Committee will be the updating of the County Master Plan which will include adoption of a housing element and adoption of a streets and highway master plan.

A new set of large scale aerial photographs and maps are being prepared to aid in land use and precise zoning studies, which will be a subject of future planning.

ZONING

Several rezoning problems and public hearings were processed during the year, the largest of which was the rezoning of land in the vicinity of the National Park boundary. This area, formerly an unclassified zone, was rezoned to Forest Recreation for the most part and is still in the process of rezoning in the highly populated area. In addition, several small areas of existing zoned areas were processed for rezoning with one rezonings being denied and four areas rezoned. The zoning of the townsite of Klamath started the previous year was completed this year.

SUBDIVISIONS

One tentative subdivision located within the proposed National Park boundary was presented and discussed with the result that the application for approval was dropped.

The deadline for final map on the W.W. Kelly Subdivision at Wilson Creek was extended due to delays caused by the location of the park boundary.

No other subdivisions were processed.

ROADS

The preparation of the master plan for streets and highways required by state law was contracted out as part of the Tri-Agency's project of updating the general plan for the county. The Road Improvement Program has been completed and is now in effect. This plan gives a good indication of the condition of all roads within the county and is very useful in establishing work priorities for road improvements each year.

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NEW UNDERSEA GARDENS AT CRESCENT CITY HARBOR



**NEW FISH PROCESSING PLANT AND DOCK
AT CRESCENT CITY HARBOR**

RECREATION

Recreation development included the completion of the construction of Lagoon Creek Angling Access which has developed into a popular roadside rest and fishing lake. It also serves as the starting point for two National Park trails which follow the seashore and circle the beach adjacent to the park. Plans are in process for the improvement of Keller Park in 1970.

TRAILERS

During the year use permits for 87 trailers were processed, of which 85 permits were approved and 2 denied. Two of the use permits issued were limited time permits for trailers in R-1 zones. Also during the year, plans for two trailer parks were approved; one trailer park to be located on Highway 101 two miles south of Dr. Fine Bridge and one park to be located at Klamath.

SIGN ORDINANCE

The new ordinance for sign control throughout the county was sent to a committee for study and after several revisions was finally submitted to the Commission for action. The ordinance is now being considered for public hearings and should be completed in the near future. In the meantime, a revision to the Zoning Ordinance No. 67-10 was passed which sets a more realistic size on on-site signs. Signs of an aggregate area of 200 square feet are now permitted.

VARIANCES

One application for a variance to the front yard set back requirements was approved and the variance granted. This permitted an enclosed porch to be added to the front of a residence for weather protection.

USE PERMITS

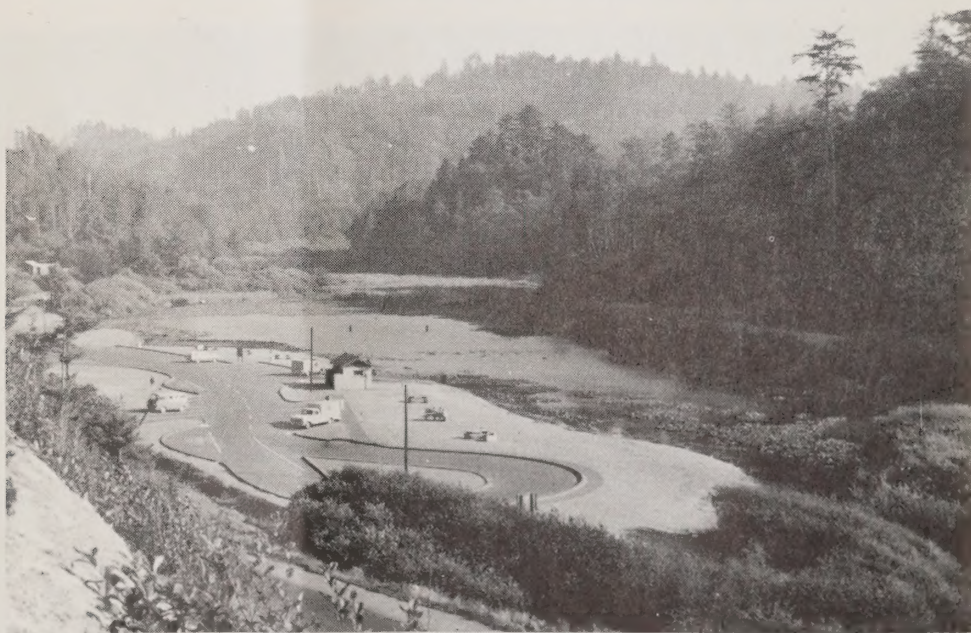
Nine use permits were issued during the year which consisted of one private stable in an R-1 zone, a gift shop in an FP-2 zone, a wrecking yard in a U zone, a garage for church buses in an R-1 zone, a temporary rock crusher in an A zone, a church club house in a C zone, a concrete batch plant in an FP-2 zone, an off-site sign, and restrooms in an FP-2 zone. One off-site sign was denied.

BUDGET

The planning budget was increased this year to allow for the county's share of the Tri-Agency planning grant application and to cover the extra work to be accomplished by the planning consultant in completing the land use and zoning study that the aerial survey will require. The land use study maps will be prepared at a scale of 1"-100' and 1"-200' as needed for rezoning studies conducted during future years. There will be approximately 200 maps in the series which will cover the highly populated areas of the county.



NEW COUNTY BUILDINGS AT NEW KLAMATH TOWNSITE



NEW LAGOON CREEK FISHING ACCESS NEAR WILSON CREEK

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As a result of the establishment of a Redwood National Park with headquarters in Del Norte County, it is felt that there will be a pronounced increase in tourist oriented businesses and housing throughout the county. With the aid of the new revised general plan, the new land use maps and aerial photographs, and a new sign ordinance the control of development within the county will be more orderly and a greater planning service to those looking for business sites will be available. Preparation of land use maps and zoning maps from the aerial photos will require a good deal of time and will be accomplished as time will permit in the busy schedule anticipated for the coming year.

PLANS FOR 1969-70

1. Prepare county-wide airport master plan.
2. Prepare new land use and zoning maps as time permits.
3. Plan and process new parks in conformance with Recreation Plan.
4. Continue to process use permits and variances.
5. Prepare new ordinances and revisions as required.
6. Continue cooperation with other City, County, and State agencies with regards to planning.

SUMMARY

Regular Meetings Held	12	14
Special Meetings Held	1	6
Public Hearings Held	22	23
Areas rezoned	4	7
Variances - Recommended for approval	1	2
- Denied	1	0
Miscellaneous Use Permit - Approved	9	16
- Denied	1	0
Trailer Use Permits - Approved	85	82
- Denied	2	2
Subdivisions - Tentative Maps approved	1	2
- Final Maps approved	1	1

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